

**OPINION**  
**46-277**

June 22, 1946        (OPINION)

TOWNSHIPS

RE: Meetings - To be Held in Township

This office is in receipt of your letter of June 19, 1946, in which you request our opinion as to the following questions:

1. May township meetings be held within a town in the township or should they be held outside of the city limits?
2. May the township undertake to do road work if the labor is not available to do the work needed?

In reply to your first question, it is my opinion that township meetings must be held in township territory--that is territory over which the township has jurisdiction. A township meeting may, of course, be held within an unincorporated village. Such a village is part of the township. But township meetings should not be held within the limits of a city or incorporated village. If a township does not have a township hall, meetings may, if necessary, be held in a schoolhouse.

Replying to your second question, I beg to advise you that the matter of doing road work rests entirely within the discretion of the township board. If a contract is let for the performance of such road work, it is up to the person to whom the contract is awarded to secure the necessary labor. And if the township board undertakes to do the work, it will, of course, have to be delayed until the required labor can be secured.

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